

Amendment Prior Examination

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments:

In the Specification

Please replace the following paragraphs with the following paragraphs. The changes are shown explicitly in the attached "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

On page 6 at line 1:

C<sup>1</sup> The concept of correspondence in amino acid sequences between species is well known in the biological sciences and is determined by aligning comparable sequences (including if necessary theoretical deletions) to match isofunctional or isostereo amino acids thereby maximizing homology. The published corresponding sequences of the C-terminus region of the growth hormone of selected mammals are tabulated below<sup>26</sup>, using standard single letter notation: (SEQ ID NOS 34-52, respectively in order of appearance)

On page 22 at line 4:

A. Synthesis of pentadecapeptide comprising amino acid residues 177-191 of native human growth hormone, designated as hGH (177-191) (Ref No. 9401): (SEQ ID NO: 1)

On page 25 at lines 22:

B. Synthesis of pentadecapeptide (Ref No. 9404): (SEQ ID NO: 7)

On page 25 at line 30:

C<sup>4</sup> C. Synthesis of the pentadecapeptide (Ref No. 9410): (SEQ ID NO: 12)